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LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL  
CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO: 95-01  
(AMENDMENT)



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IN RE: ESTABLISHMENT OF A JUVENILE CIVIL CITATION PROCESS

WHEREAS, Section 985.301, Florida Statutes, provides for a juvenile civil citation process for the purpose of providing an efficient and innovative alternative to custody by the Department of Juvenile Justice for children who commit non-serious delinquent acts; and

WHEREAS, law violations need attention and demand that youth be responsible for their actions in the community, yet certain violations may not be of the magnitude or seriousness that require judicial involvement; and

WHEREAS, programs are encouraged which enable consequences to be swiftly delivered and which are designed to correct delinquent behavior; and

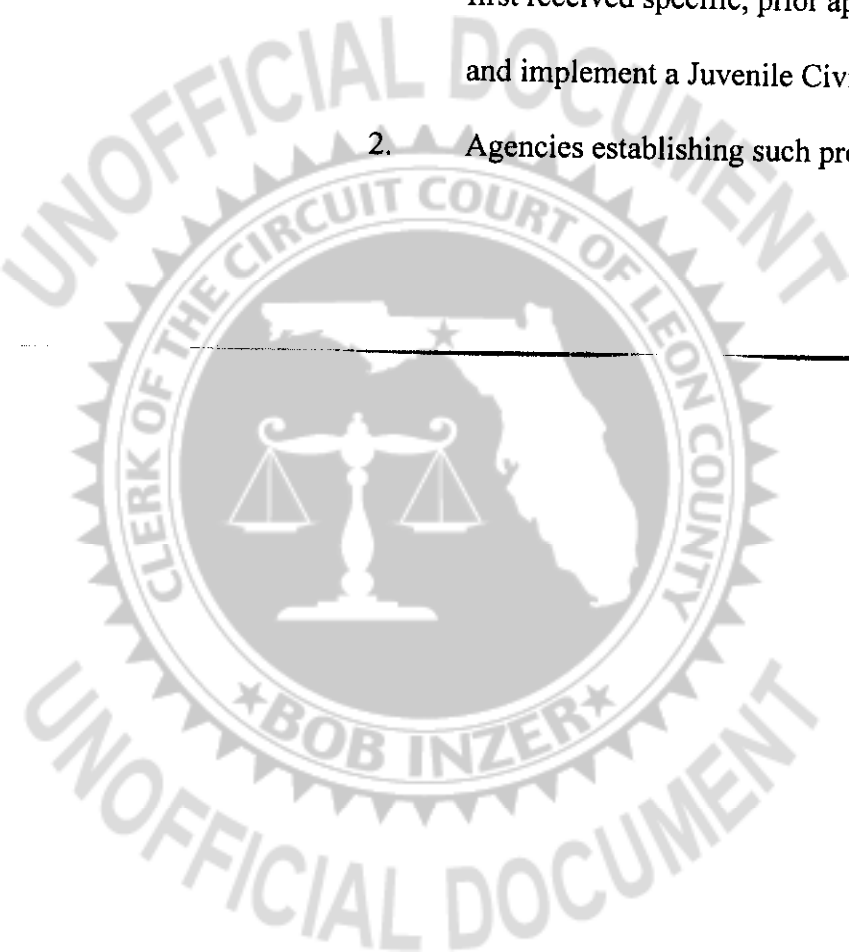
WHEREAS, Florida Rules of Judicial Administration 2.050 (b)(c) states that the chief judge "... may require from the clerks of the courts, sheriffs, or other officers of the court periodic reports. . ."; and

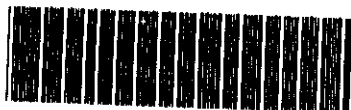
WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that the juveniles' constitutional rights to due process are protected; it is therefore

ORDERED THAT:

1. Any law-enforcement agency within the Second Judicial Circuit, having first received specific, prior approval from the chief judge, may establish and implement a Juvenile Civil Citation Process/Program;
2. Agencies establishing such programs agree to periodic monitoring by the

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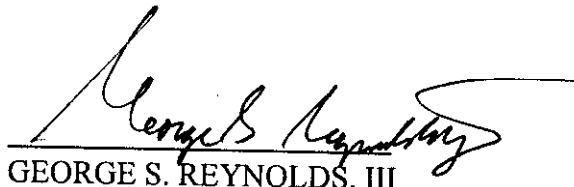
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juvenile alternative sanctions coordinator for the court administrator's office, who may forward copies to the circuit judge having jurisdiction over the juvenile division in the respective county, and to the resident county judge(s);

3. Under such a juvenile civil citation program, any law enforcement officer, upon making contact with a juvenile who admits having committed a misdemeanor, may issue a civil citation assessing not more than 50 community hours, and may require participation in intervention services appropriate to identify needs of the juvenile including family counseling, urinalysis monitoring, and substance abuse and mental health treatment services.
4. The above provisions are supplemental to any state statute authorizing the establishment of a juvenile citation program; and
5. Approval to establish a juvenile citation program in any law enforcement agency in the second judicial circuit may be rescinded by the chief judge at any time.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida this 16<sup>th</sup>  
day of May, 2001

  
GEORGE S. REYNOLDS, III  
CHIEF JUDGE

